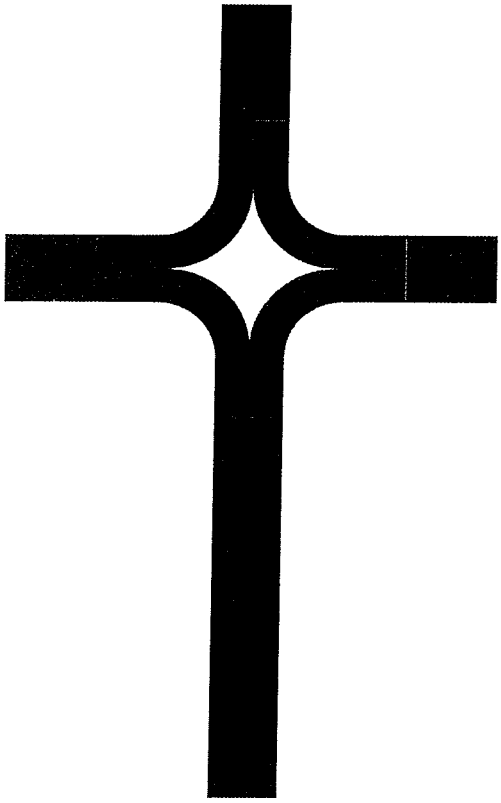


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Our mission is to worship and honor God,
and to bring people to Christ.
It is our joy to be stewards
of the Good News of the love of God in Jesus Christ.

November 15, 2026
11:00 a.m.

11:00 A.M. **ORDER OF WORSHIP** **NOVEMBER 15, 2026**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PRAISE #108 *"There's Something About That Name"*

CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Jesus Christ, risen and reigning, has all authority in heaven and on earth.
People: We come to worship and follow him.
L: He sends us to make disciples of all nations, promising to be with us always.
P: Let us worship the Lord, trusting in his presence and grace.

*HYMN #589 *"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)
Merciful God, we confess that we often build walls where you have placed a cross. We admit that we have allowed prejudice, pride, and fear to divide us from others, forgetting that in Christ, the dividing wall of hostility has been broken down. We have sought our own security in exclusion rather than finding our peace in your reconciliation. Forgive us for the times we have acted as strangers and aliens to your love, and for failing to welcome others into the household of God. Knit us together in your Spirit, that we may no longer be divided by earthly boundaries, but may grow together as a holy temple, joined with you as our cornerstone and built up into a dwelling place for your Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, our peace, we pray.

*PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*GLORIA PATRI HYMN #734

ANTHEM	*"Give Thanks"*[1]	Chancel Choir
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 28:16-20	N.T. Page 34
	Ephesians 2:11-22	N.T. Page 192
SERMON	*"The Embassy"*	Rev. Edward R. Gray

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM — Nycole Brink

OFFERING/OFFERTORY — *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

*DOXOLOGY — HYMN #34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER — *(see Prayer List)*

*HYMN #581 — *"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"*

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE — *#359*

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son *(repeat)*
****And now, let the weak say, I am strong, Let the poor say, I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us** *(repeat from **)*
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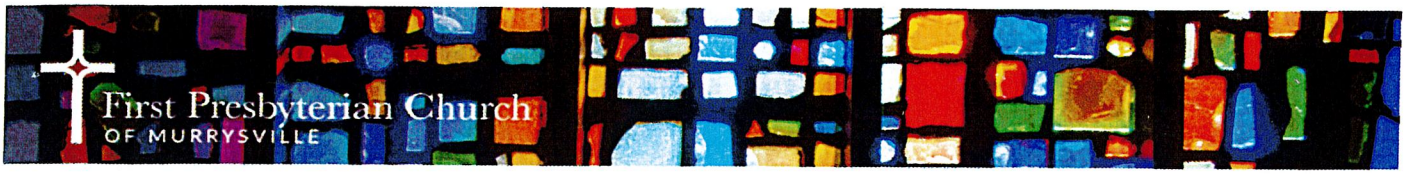
*PASSING THE PEACE — Say *"Peace be with you"*

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[1] *The anthem is a selection from our Murrysville Cantata Choir "Patriotic Thanksgiving" concert this afternoon.*

- **Large Print bulletins are available from an usher.**

Rev. Edward R. Gray, Pastor
Ruth Poscich, Director of Music
Carl Staab, Audio Technician
This morning we are blessed with the following participants and volunteers:
8:30 a.m. Worship Leader: Betty Lou Lamers
11:00 a.m. Worship Leader: Dave Krudwig
11:00 a.m. Greeters: Rick and Sue Pry, Jim and Sandy Stange
11:00 a.m. Musicians: The Chancel Choir



November 15, 2026 through November 22, 2026

Today	**8:30 a.m.**	**Worship Service – Laird Hall**
	9:45 a.m.	**Adult Sunday School--Lounge**
	11:00 a.m.	**Worship Service – Sanctuary**
		Baptism – Nycole Brink
	4:00 p.m.	**Cantata Choir Concert – Sanctuary**
		A Patriotic Thanksgiving
Monday	**7:00 p.m.**	**Session Meeting – Laird Hall**
Tuesday	**8:00 a.m.**	**Rangers Breakfast Fellowship – Dick's Diner**
	9:30 a.m.	**Staff Meeting**
	4:00 p.m.	**Fun & Fellowship Meeting – Laird Hall**
	6:00 p.m.	**Christian Education Meeting – Laird Hall**
Wednesday	**9:00 a.m.**	**Sew What – Meeting Room**
	11:00 a.m.	**Lunch Bunch – Laird Hall**
	11:30 a.m.	**Warm Hugs – Laird Hall**
	2:00 p.m.	**Joy Ringers Rehearsal**
Thursday	**3:00 p.m.**	**Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
Sunday	**St. Andrews Sunday - Communion**	
	8:30 a.m.	**Adult Sunday School**
	10:00 a.m.	**Worship Service – Sanctuary**
	11:00 a.m.	**Reception – Welcome Center**

*Meals on Wheels every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday in Laird Hall
**Friends' Kitchen is the first Wednesday of each month at Laird Hall

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN

DEACONS' PRAYER LIST
PRAYERS OF IMMEDIATE CONCERN AND JOY

PRAYERS FOR THE MEMBERS OF OUR MILITARY INCLUDING
GARRET ANDOLINA (GRAY)

Upcoming Worship Schedule

DATE	WORSHIP SERVICE	SUNDAY SCHOOL
November 22	10:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.
November 29 Advent I	10:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.
December 6 Advent II	10:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.

Announcements

Murrysville Cantata Choir Concert
Join us this afternoon at 4 p.m. for the Murrysville Cantata Choir concert,
"A Patriotic Thanksgiving."
Enjoy sacred anthems of gratitude and and patriotic tributes to veterans, with narration, audience participation and accompaniment by piano, organ, and instruments. Be sure to attend!

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD shows God's love to children around the world with gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The filled boxes are due back to the church by November 16.

The Session will meet on Monday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. in Laird Hall.

The Fun and Fellowship committee will meet on Tuesday, November 17 in Laird Hall at 4:00.

A staffed nursery will be available every Sunday dirng the worship service, beginning November 22, the church will have a staffed nursery every Sunday during the worship service.
Our Junior church Program will begin on November 22 following the childrens' sermon. If you would like to volunteer as a teacher please contact the church office.

PamLandis has a new address: St. Mary's Rehab, 210 St. Mary's Drive, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003
Her birthday is on Sunday, November 15

Our LAUNDRY DETERGENT collection is still going. We have a commitment to support the Food Bank by donating 100 bottles of laundry detergent by the end of 2026. Currently we are ¾ of the way to our goal. Please consider giving to help families in our own community. Thank you for your giving heart.

Christmas Decorating Help Needed! Please Join Us Saturday, November 28 at 9:00 a.m. to decorate the church for Christmas. Many hands are needed, and your help will make the morning merry!

Sunday School
learning to live the life

On Sundays during Advent beginning November 29, we will begin the new resource "Because of Bethlehem" by Max Lucado. The books are located in the Narthex.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOV 15	CANTATA CONCERT "A PATRIOTIC THANKSGIVING"
NOV 16	LAST DAY TO COLLECT SAMARITAN'S PURSE BOXES
NOV 16	SESSION MEETING
NOV 17	FUN & FELLOWSHIP MEETING
NOV 18	WARM HUGS
NOV 22	ST ANDREW'S SUNDAY
NOV 26	THANKSGIVING
NOV 28	CHRISTMAS DECORATING
NOV 29	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DEC 6	PRESCHOOL SUNDAY
DEC 13	CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER